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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of
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For: SEGMENTING A COMPOSITE IMAGE VIA MINIMUM AREAS

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Thirty-two (32) pages
- Nine (9) sheet(s) formal drawings
- An assignment of the invention
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 02079882.3 filed in Europe on November 22, 2002.
 - Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
 - Certified copy(ies) will follow.
- Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)

- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- Other:
- Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
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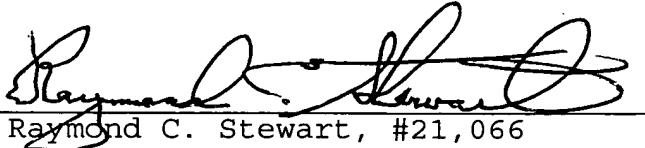
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